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MEMORANDUM

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS: President Ford
Dr. Henry A. Kissinger, Secretary of State and
Assistant to the President for National
Security Affairs
Lt. General Brent Scowcroft, Deputy Assistant
to the President for National Security Affairs

DATE AND TIME: Monday, August 26, 1974

PLACE: Oval Office

Kissinger: The Kurds are conducting a guerrilla war inside Iraq.
If Iraq weren't tied down, they could put more into Syria. [Described
the program.]

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President: What does this do to our argument about supplying out of
active units?

Kissinger: The numbers aren't that significant.

President: Let's go ahead.

Kissinger: The Iranians have asked about sending troops in. The CIA
guy is opposed. We said it is their decision -- I favor it but I hate to
be on record because of all the leaks.

President: I read that the Iraqi army is unhappy. Are the Kurds
reliable?

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Kissinger: Yes. It is their existence at stake.

President:

Kissinger:

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